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TO: ALL INSURANCE CARRIERS DOING BUSINESS IN THIS STATE, ALL

LICENSED BUSINESS ENTITIES DOING BUSINESS IN THIS STATE, ALL LICENSED PRODUCERS AND ADJUSTERS DOING BUSINESS IN THIS STATE, ALL INDUSTRY TRADE ASSOCIATIONS, THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF INSURANCE COMMISSIONERS, AND OTHER

INTERESTED PARTIES

FROM: ARKANSAS INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

SUBJECT: IN RE AMBULATORY SURGERY CENTERS DECLARATORY PETITION

The Arkansas Insurance Commissioner ("Commissioner") issues this Bulletin to advise any interested or affected parties or organizations of a declaratory petition filed by various ambulatory surgical centers against Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield on October 26, 2019 pertaining to reimbursement issues. On June 15, 2020, the Commissioner granted the petition to review the matter. The Commissioner intends to designate a hearing officer to administer and review this matter who is not employed by the Arkansas Insurance Department or Arkansas Department of Commerce. Interested persons or organizations should refer to the matters alleged in the Petition for more information about the issues https://insurance.arkansas.gov/uploads/resource/documents/petition_for_declaratory_ruling.pdf. For interested persons or organizations desiring to intervene, they should make their request to the Commissioner, in writing before 5:30 PM, CST, August 3, 2020. The requests shall be in writing and explain the basis of the intervention request. Such request shall be reviewed on a timely basis once a hearing officer is designated to review such matters.

For questions about this matter or bulletin, please contact Booth Rand, at 501-371-2820 or booth.rand@arkansas.gov.

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INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

STATE OF ARKANSAS

DATE